

BCHL FINALS NOTES – GAME FIVE

Prince George Spruce Kings at Wenatchee Wild

Thursday April 19, 2018



Tonight we have Game 5 of the BCHL Fred Page Cup Finals presented by Central Washington Asphalt as the Interior Conference Champion Wenatchee Wild face the Prince George Spruce Kings in this best-of-seven League Championship Series at Town Toyota Center. Wenatchee leads the series, 3-1.

HEAD TO HEAD: The teams played each other twice this season, and in both games, the home team came from behind to win. Wenatchee won 3-2 at home in November, and Prince George won 4-3 at home in December. The Wild and Spruce Kings played in the Mainland Division SemiFinals last season, with the Wild advancing in six games.

THIS SERIES: The Wild won the first two games of the series at home, 4-0 and 4-2. In Prince George, Wenatchee took Game 3 by a 4-3 margin, decided in double overtime. The Spruce Kings avoided a sweep with a 4-2 win of their own in Game 4, forcing tonight's Game 5.

WHO TO WATCH FOR: BCHL MVP Jasper Weatherby (15g, 21a) leads the BCHL overall in the playoffs, and AJ Vanderbeck (12g, 15a) is ranked third. BCHL Top Defenseman Cooper Zech (4g, 18a) leads all BCHL blueliners. Goalie Austin Park is now 14-4, with a 2.32 GAA and .904 save pct. Prince George is led by Ethan de Jong (13g, 14a) who ranks second in the league, while Kyle Johnson (6g, 10a), Ben Brar (8g, 10a), and Patrick Cozzi (5g, 13a) are tied for ninth. Evan DeBrouwer is 13-10 in net, with a 2.13 GAA and .925 save pct.

SPECIAL TEAMS: Postseason: WEN PP – 17/69

WEN PP – 17/69 24.6% PG PP – 16/78 20.5% Series: WEN PP - 3/10 30.0% PG PP - 2/10 20.0%

MEDIA: Tonight's game and all Wild games are aired on Sunny FM (93.9 FM), and available on a pay-per-view basis with HockeyTV.com. Pregame show airs tonight at 6:45 pm.

FINALS SERIES SCHEDULE

*Game 6 – Sat Apr 21 at Prince George *Game 7 – Mon Apr 23 at Wenatchee (* - if necessary)

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